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In re Application of: **Luder Gerking** Group Art Unit: 1771 Serial No.: 10/030,020 Examiner: Jenna Leigh Befumo Filing Date: December 26, 2002 Attny. Docket No. 073306.0101 Title: Method and Device for the Production Client Ref.: N 7/PCT/US of an Essentially Continuous Fine Thread

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY **AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Examiner's Office Action of July 9, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendments and Remarks.